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In re application of: Fukuoka et al.

Application No.: 09/786,654

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Title: METHOD OF EMBEDDING DIGITAL
WATERMARK, STORAGE MEDIUM IN WHICH
THE METHOD IS STORED, METHOD OF
IDENTIFYING EMBEDDED DIGITAL
WATERMARK, AND APPARATUS FOR
EMBEDDING DIGITAL WATERMARK

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated in the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.